



Sample Collection Procedure – 3 Bottles

Please read all instructions before beginning water sampling. The water should be sampled from the kitchen tap where water is consumed. *Please remove any filter device prior to sampling.*

IMPORTANT: The water must be allowed to sit in the household plumbing for at least 6 hours prior to the start of sampling. It may be convenient to collect samples first thing in the morning after water has not been used overnight, or in the afternoon after the water has not been used since the morning.

You will need a timer that counts seconds and minutes.

Step 1: Open the kit and remove the plastic caps from all three 1 liter bottles.

Step 2: Hold the first bottle (labelled Bottle #1) under the kitchen tap. Turn on the cold water, and fill the bottle at a flow rate that you would normally use. Place the filled bottle on the counter while allowing the water to continue to flow from the tap.

Step 3: Allow the water to run for 45 seconds after the first bottle was filled. Then, place the second 1 liter bottle (labelled Bottle #2) under the faucet to fill. Once filled, place the filled bottle on the counter while allowing the water to continue to flow from the tap.

Step 4: Allow the water to run for 5 minutes after the second bottle was filled. Fill the third bottle (labelled Bottle #3).

Step 5: Turn off the cold water tap. Replace the caps on all three bottles.

Step 6: Fill out the information requested below. Place this sheet into the plastic bag provided. Place the 3 filled bottles and the paperwork into the box.

Name of sampler: _____

Date and time sampled: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Do you use a water softener or a filter? _____

Please call 286-3451 or 265-6373 when the samples are ready to be picked up.

Thank you!